

Conversion to Individual Coverage Request Form

Blue Shield of California and Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company

Now that your group plan coverage is ending, you may be eligible for an individual conversion plan for you and your enrolled dependents. This coverage is available to you regardless of your age, physical condition, or employment status. Coverage under this plan will begin the day following termination of your group coverage, if this form and dues/premium payments are received within 63 days of termination of your group coverage. Thereafter, you will be billed directly for dues/premiums. When filling out this application, please print in blue or black ink. If you have any questions, call Blue Shield at (800) 431-2809.

Eligibility: If you and your enrolled dependents have been continuously covered for the three months immediately preceding the date of termination of coverage, **you and your enrolled dependents** are eligible to enroll in an individual conversion plan upon termination of group coverage, except as follows:

- Your group coverage is replaced with a similar group health service contract/policy within 15 days of the end of your coverage under the first group plan;
- Your coverage was terminated for good cause, fraud, or misrepresentation, or for knowingly furnishing incorrect information or improperly obtaining benefits under the plan;

- · You failed to pay dues/premiums due to the plan;
- You are eligible for or are covered by hospital, medical, or surgical benefits under any arrangement of coverage for individuals in a group, whether insured or self-insured;
- · You are eligible for or are covered by Medicare; or
- You are covered for similar benefits under an individual policy or contract.
- If you enroll in a short-term health insurance plan, you are no longer eligible for the conversion plan.

Your application must be received within 63 days of termination of group coverage, or within 30 days of your transfer from another Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan outside of California.

Part I - Current coverage information 1. I am a Blue Shield of California HMO, POS, or PPO plan member. Yes No 2. I am a Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company (Blue Shield Life) PPO plan member. Yes No 3. I am transferring from a Blue Cross/Blue Shield Plan from another state. Yes No If yes, name state: Date of termination of individual coverage: Date of termination of group coverage (including COBRA): Employer group name: Current group number:

Notice: Please consider enrollment in an Individual Conversion Plan carefully. Enrollment in an individual conversion plan will affect your ability to obtain guaranteed issue individual plan coverage under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). HIPAA guaranteed issue plans vary in benefits and rates compared to an individual conversion plan. HIPAA established guaranteed availability of individual coverage for certain eligible persons whose group coverage is ending. For HIPAA purposes, individual conversion coverage is not considered a group plan, so you could be denied coverage in the individual market at a later date if you elect conversion plan coverage now. Please call Blue Shield for more information regarding your eligibility for a HIPAA guaranteed issue plan.

Part 2 – App	licant inform	natio	n							
Choose health plan (check one box only): Shield Spectrum PPO Conversion Plan 5000* Shield Spectrum PPO Conversion Plan 5500										
Applicant Social Security number										
First name				MI	Last nam	e				
Home street	address (no	P.O.	Вох)					Apt. No.		
City				Count	County		State		ZIP Code	
Billing address (if different from home addr				dress)	ess)				Apt. No.	
City				Count	County		State		ZIP Code	
Mailing addı	ess (if differ	ent fi	rom home a	ddress)	lress)			Apt. No.		
City				Count	County		State		ZIP Code	
Home phone	e No.		Work phon	e No.		Date	of birth		Age	
Female [Male			Marrie	ed: Yes	□No	Domesti	partner	: No Yes No	
How would y	ou like us to	cont	act you?	Blue	e Shield will	use yo	our preferre	ed metho	d when possible.	
Home tele	ephone 🗌	Worl	k telephone	E-m	ail Sto	andard	mail			
May Blue Sh	ield contact	yου ν	via e-mail? [] Yes [No E-mo	ail addı	ress:			
If you have b					Blue Shield					
Life member					or oligible f		ate cancell		ad by another	
for Medicare		gible No	_		ered by or eligible for of age? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No		_	Are you covered by another individual plan? Yes No		
Part 3 - Dependent Information (please list all family members you wish to cover)										
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						Date		-	insurance carrier?	
Relationship	First name	MI	Last name	Social Se	ecurity No.	birth		edicare?		
☐ Husband ☐ Wife							_ Ye	s 🗌 No	Yes No	
Domestic							☐ Ye	s 🗌 No	Yes No	
partner: Male										
Female										
Son Daughter							☐ Ye	s 🗌 No	Yes No	
Son Daughter							☐ Ye	s 🗌 No	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Son Daughter							Ye	s 🗌 No	Yes No	
Son Daughter							Ye	s 🗌 No	Yes No	
Part 4 – Billing options										
If approved, I would like to pay my dues/premiums: Monthly Quarterly (every 3 months)										

^{*} Underwritten by Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company.

Part 5 – Authorization for release of information

By signing this form you are authorizing the release of your and/or your dependents' healthcare information by a healthcare provider, insurer, insurance support organization, health plan, or your insurance agent, to Blue Shield of California or Blue Shield of California Life & Health Insurance Company (collectively, Blue Shield) for the purpose of reviewing your application for Blue Shield coverage.

Further, by signing this form, you are authorizing Blue Shield to disclose such healthcare information to a healthcare provider, insurer, self-insurer, insurance support organization, health plan, or your insurance agent for the purpose of investigating or evaluating any claim for benefits.

You have the right to refuse to sign this authorization. However, Blue Shield has the right to condition your and/or your dependents' eligibility for coverage and enrollment determinations upon receipt of this signed authorization.

You are entitled to a copy of this authorization after you sign it.

Expiration: This authorization will remain valid:

- 1. For thirty (30) months from the date of this authorization for the purposes of processing your application, processing a request for reinstatement, or processing a request for a change in benefits;
- 2. For as long as may be necessary for processing of claims incurred during the term of coverage; and
- 3. For the term of coverage for all other activities under the health services agreement/policy.

Right to revoke: I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by giving written notice of my revocation to Blue Shield. I understand that revocation of this authorization will not affect any action Blue Shield has taken in reliance on this authorization prior to receiving my written notice of revocation.

Signature of applicant	Today's date
(on behalf of myself and all covered dependents)	

Part 6 – Authorizations, terms, and conditions

On behalf of myself and my enrolled dependents, I:

- 1. Understand that this Conversion to Individual Coverage Request Form enrolls me in an individual conversion plan, and agree, on behalf of myself and my enrolled dependents, to pay in advance applicable dues/premiums. Dues/premiums will be billed to me and will be due for a three (3) month or one (1) month cycle, unless an alternative billing option is selected.
- 2.Understand that my signature on this Conversion to Individual Coverage Request Form constitutes my agreement to the terms and conditions of the individual conversion plan as described in the *Evidence* of Coverage and Health Service Agreement/Policy, a copy of which shall be provided to me at the time of my enrollment and which is available upon request. This form, the Agreement/Policy, and any endorsements, appendices, and attachments thereto, collectively constitute the entire agreement between the parties. Any prior agreements, promises, negotiations, or representations relating to the subject matter of this Agreement/Policy not expressly set forth herein are of no force or effect.
- 3.Accept this individual conversion plan *Agreement/Policy*, on behalf of myself and my covered dependents, by making dues/premium payments to Blue Shield. Such acceptance renders all terms and provisions of this *Agreement/Policy* binding on Blue Shield.
- 4.Agree to cooperate with Blue Shield by providing, or providing access to, documents and other information that Blue Shield may request to corroborate the information provided on this form. Coverage may be rescinded or cancelled for failure to provide this information.

I have read the summary of benefits and the terms and conditions of coverage and authorizations set forth above. I understand and agree to each of them. I alone am responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the information provided on this enrollment form for individual conversion plan coverage. To the best of my knowledge and belief, all information on this enrollment form, is accurate, true, and complete. I understand that coverage may be cancelled or rescinded if Blue Shield determines that information on this enrollment form is materially inaccurate, not true, or incomplete.

For your protection, California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents false or fraudulent information to obtain or amend insurance coverage or to make a claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

Today's date	Signature of applicant	Print name	
	(on behalf of myself and all		

covered dependents)

Please mail this application to:

Blue Shield of California Installation and Membership P.O. Box 629013 El Dorado Hills, CA 95762-9013